

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
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For: METHOD OF GENERATING A PUBLIC  
LONG CODE MASK

Conf. No. 6278

Examiner: R. Kangarloo

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JANUARY 5, 2009**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 5, 2009, for which the three-month date for response is April 5, 2009. This response is being electronically filed on March 18, 2009 therefore, it is timely filed.

If an extension of time is required to enable this paper to be timely filed and there is no separate Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, this paper is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a period of time sufficient to enable this document to be timely filed.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Williams, Morgan & Amerson's P.C. Deposit Account 50-0786/2100.004700.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.